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In re Application of  
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For: DEVICES FOR HIDING OPERATIONS  
PERFORMED IN A MICROPROCESSOR  
CARD

COMMUNICATION  
RE  
NOTIFICATION OF  
ABANDONMENT

This communication is in response to the REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT" filed 24 April 2001 and to inform applicants that the Notification of Abandonment (Form PCT/DO/EO/909) issued by the Office on 04 June 2001 is VACATED for the following reason:

On 18 December 2000, applicants timely filed a declaration of the inventors meeting all the requirements of 37 CFR 1.497. The fee for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office action was also submitted. Accordingly, the Notification of Abandonment of 04 June 2001 indicating that "Applicant has failed to respond to the Notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 17 October 2000" was issued in error and is hereby VACATED.

The application is being returned to the United States Designated/Elected Office for further processing, including the issuance of a Notification of Acceptance (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) with a 35 U.S.C. 371(c) and 102(e) date of 18 December 2000.

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